### **MEMORIAL DAY ON MOUNTAIN**

Interesting Exercises at Sewanee-Students to Take Military Training.

(Special to The News.) nee, May 18.—The past week on an eventful one on the n top. Thursday afterroon been an eventful one on the untain top. Thursday afterroom beld the annual memorial servin commemoration of Gen. Educated the Smith. This is a custainstituted by the Sewanee chapof the United Daughters of the infederacy, and each year on this a pilgrimage is made to the netery to do honor to the memory this venerable old Confederate der.

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s. A. Tidball. After a short readof prayers, Dr. T. P. Balley. proor of philosophy in the university,
presented as the speaker this
. Dr. Balley's remarks touched
the excellence of the draft systhe excellence of the draft sysin the excellence of the draft system of our country, whereby all male
ditisens are employed in the most fiting manner. He declared that our
covernment's plans were wholly in
accord with the system which Christ
need in selecting His followers. Volunteers, he stated, were turned down
by our Lord, while He chose from
the throngs those who could render
thoroughly the kind of service most
adotable for the furtherance of the thoroughly the kind of service most adaptable for the furtherance of the greatest enterprise of all—Christian-ity. Moreover, it will be but a brief space of time when the Red Cross will be imitating on solid plans the gov-ernment's methods in enrolling members. Dr. Bailey concluded his address by paying high tribute to Gen. Kirby Smith, for his fealty and intense devotion to his cause. According to Dr. Bailey, we, who love the south, our firesides, and all that is sacred to us, and would have the south stand out among the vanguard in the present strife, nee, only emu-late the noble example of her dead nero lying here. We should individgaping open before us, and respond with body, spirit, and material to our nation's need and request.
On Wednesday morning, H. T. Tem pleton, an attorney of Winchester,

Attitude on Military Affairs.

The vice-chancellor recently called mass meeting of the student body learn their attitude towards millary drill in the university next fall as a regular course of instruction. A communication from the secretary of war was read, the substance of which grants the detachment of a regular army officer to the school, provided that 11 men signify their intention of including this work in their studies. Such students are then under Uncle am's military authority as long as they are in school. When the period of training has been completed the successful candidates are eligible for commissions. The whole idea as set forth by Secretary Baker is to in-fluence the young man to continue his education, while, at the same time, the government refuses that he be handleaped by the lack of this essen-tial training. The proposal met with the hearty approval of the students this new science will undoubtedly place in the college curriculum

Favored with midsummer weather clay court sport has come into its ment this week. The spring tennis present has been in full swing nee the 11th. Both the university and academy boys participate in the matches and all fifty-seven varieties of tennis are uncorked. What the ightning serves is made up by spir-ited rivalry for the prize rackets ofd and the prestige of being mounain champions. On account of many of the best players leaving the rock for the baseball games with Vandy, the finals of the matches scheduled for Friday and Saturday have been postponed until Monday and Tuesday. Since the baseball season terminates the two Nashville games, the course and the tennis courts will crowds of patrons from now on until commencement.

For the last few days the gridiron sport at Hardie has been revived to the extent of passing and booting the oyal. Coach Best is starting early on his men and has mapped out and A. B. C. course which he hopes to sink deep in the green ones. In this way the Tigers will get a pretty thorough line on the men on hand, and will save world's of experimenting in the actual playing season in the fall

#### **ESTABLISHES TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS**

Government Calls for Correspondents to Look After Mail of War Risk Insurance.

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 18 .- The demand for trained correspondents to handle the huge volume of letters to and from the bureau of war risk insurance, which sends out the soldiers' and sailors' pay allotments, has caused Uncle Sam to establish an absolutely new kind of government training camp, and the majority of the recruits are

young women.
Under the guidance of business experts about 100 women and girls are taking a regular business course, including two weeks of instruction which designed to make them crack letter writers in the service. When equipped with the newest and best ideas of modern clerical efficiency this corps of experts will attack the daily mail back of 11,000 letters coming to bureau and supervise the distribution and the replies.

siness at the bureau is assuming vast dimensions as the military estab-lishment grows. More than 2,000,000 silotment and allowance statements have been received to date, with an average of 15,000 new ones every day, and 200,000 changes of addresses and

The bureau is mailing 700,000 checks ch month, and since the war risk surance began it has distributed .000,000 to soldiers' and sailors'

ulries from the families of ented men offer baffling problems for e future correspondents. The files new arrivals in the family and speal requests of every conceivable kind pour in on the bureau from thousands of mothers and wives. Inquisitive neighbors must be dealt with diplonatically and many letters must go nanswered because of lack of address identification.

#### "PUTTING THE GRIN INTO THE FIGHT"



Absolute silence prevailed at the barracks last night when it was rumored that there would be a gas-sergeant selected from the ranks. The duty of this sergeant will be to take off his mask and sniff the air, whereupon he will immediately decide if the gas attack has or has not passed over.

#### LONDON BELIEVES GERMANS TO BE PREPARING FOR GREATEST DRIVE

morning chapel, appealing for a lib-eral purchase of war savings stamps. In behalf of the Red Cross, he asked whatever aid the students and faculty Fair weather during the past few days and a great increase in aerial activity have not yet resulted in a renewal of heavy infantry fighting. The artillery duels go on, most violent on important sectors, but neither the Ger-man infantry nor artillery displays the activity which usually marks the com-ing of a blow against the allied lines. The enemy, it is believed in London,

is preparing for a mighty attack, greater in force, if possible, than the smash of March 21 along the fifty-mile front southward from Arras. The Germans, however, are having difficulty in filling up their greatly-depleted ranks, some divisions having lost more than 50 per cent.—one 70 per cent.—of their effectiveness in the recent fighting. In addition, the allied artillery is causing havoc with preparations near the front lines, while their railway stations and billets behind the lines are under an almost continuous rain of bombs dropped by allied airmen.

Enemy artillery and manpower conas Field Marshal Von Hindenburg de-lays a new advance, but the allied defenses gain strength in the same ratio, and a new source of fighting power, Gen. Pershing's men are now on both important battle fronts-Flanders and Picardy-but in what numbers is not disclosed. Their coming, however, is having a great moral effect on the British and French, and the longer the Germans delay the greater will the American aid become.

Aerial activity is the most prominent feature of the news from the fighting French and British airmen have dropped many more tons of explosives on enemy military targets, while the Germans are becoming more active in attempts to get behind the allied lines

In aerial fighting the British have brought down thirty-five German ma-chines, while British guns accounted for ten more. Berlin claims the de-struction of eighteen allied airplanes. Another attempt to raid Paris Friday

On the American sectors west of Montdidier, northwest of Toul and in Lorraine, the aerial fighting also has

The American positions in Picardy and in Lorraine are being bombarded heavily by the Germans. The artillery but American patrols are active there.

A plot in the interests of Germany has been discovered in Ireland. An-nouncement of this latest development in Irish affairs was made in a procla-mation issued by the lord-lieutenant calling on all loyal Irishmen to aid the government in putting down the conspiracy. Four prominent Sinn Feln leaders, including Prof. de Valera, the president, have been arrested, as has Dr. Dillon. Three of the Sinn Feiners were active in the Dublin revolt in Easter week of 1916.

Irish to enlist voluntarily to aid in the maintenance of the government and says measures were taken to facilitate such recruiting. This may be an in-dication that the government has decided not to force conscription at once.

The arrest of a number of Irish leaders as the result of the discovery of an alleged plot which, according to some of the reports, may have contemplated the landing of German forces in Ireland, has a bearing upon the development of the British manpower problem, as probably tending to bring to a head the question of Irish recruitment, voluntary or otherwise. In a much more distant field—the far east-the allied nations have decided to co-operate in a military way to meet the dangers threatening the peace of that part of the world from German penetration. Paris announces that China and Japan have been notified to this effect, but Washinston under-stands that participation in the opera-tions will be confined for the present to Japan and China themselves. The safeguarding of Manchuria is the primary purpose of the move, but the possibility exists, it is said, that the

measures, which are considered as of a defensive nature, will be extended to Meanwhile the Indications from both German and entente quarters are that the hour of the resumption of the Gernon drive in the west is not far distant. Significant in this connection may be the announcement from Count bring nearer "a speedy end of the war." rect. The public is invited.

(International News Service.) It now has been almost four weeks since there have been any infantry operations of the first magnitude on the Picardy and Flanders battle

fronts in France. The official war office reports, put out in Paris and London, today told only of heavy artillery dueling along both fighting zones.

On the British front the big gun fire was concentrated in the district between Givenchy and Robecq, along the southern flank of a small German salient that juts westward immediately north of the railhead position of The Germans covet Bethune not

alone for the fact that it is an im-portant railway position, but because most strategic value It is entirely probable that the Ger-

mans may launch a drive between Givenehy and Robecq. The same sector has seen some tremendous fighting in the past.

Further light upon the hesitancy of

fensive has come from documents captured from German officers. These show that the German losses were terrific in the initial stages of the big drive. Some divisions lost as much as 70 per cent, of their effectives. Divisions were kept on the firing line until they were completely shattered and it was a common thing for divisions to lose 50 per cent. of their men before being withdrawn for reorganiza-

This makes it pretty evident that he smashing defeats inflicted by the allies all along the line and the mu-nity losses austained by the Germans have been the determining factors in holding up Von Hindenburg'.. new operations.

France relative to the Americans, who have now joined the British on the northern front. The German offensive started just fifty-nine days ago today.

It was just such pronouncements as this that immediately preceded the opening of the German offensive in March, and there have recently been warnings to the German people that the resumption of the drive was imminent

On the entente side there is a feeling that the Germans have completed their preparations and that the beginning of their new attack only depends upon weather conditions.

The allies likewise have utilized the long period of the lull to round out their defensive plans and Gen. Foch, the commander-in-chief, and all the allied forces are declared to be awaiting the shock with the greatest con-fidence that they can successfully re-

The active operations, however, continue to be of a minor nature, and there is no sign that even the heavy gunfire reported from some parts of the front As has been the case recently, the chief field of bombardment on the 'French front has been along the Avre river, southeast of Amiens and with the Brit-ish the line around the Lys salient in

Flanders southwest of Ypres.
It is the Avre sector, apparently. that French commentators expect the German plan is still felt to be one contemplating a division of the British and French armies, if possible, by cutting the railroad between Amiens and Clermont to the south, and by driving forward toward the coast,

AUTOMOBILE CLUB WILL JOURNEY TO ASHEVILLE About Thirty Men in Seven or Eight Machines to Travel on a Booster

Tour. In the very near future the Chattanooga Automobile club will go on a booster tour to Asheville, N. C., as per an invitation given to Secretary Robinson at Thursday's meeting of the Dixie Highway association. It is Highway association. thought seven or eight machines will make the trip, carrying about thirty

#### MUSICIANS TO DEDICATE SERVICE FLAG SUNDAY

or park Sunday afternoon at 3:30 the Chattaneoga Musical society. is society will on that occasion rais Von Hertling the German imperial This society will on that occasion raise chancellor, that he was confident that their service flag, which contains about Turther events in the west" would thirty stars. G. R. VanArsdale will di-

#### SETS GLOWING EXAMPLE FOR NATION'S PATRIOTS

President Wilson Opens Drive for \$100,000,000 for American Red Cross.

(International News Service.) New York, May 18.-President Woodrow Wilson today set a glowing example for the patriots of the nation by devoting his time to boosting the \$100,000,000 drive of the American Red

Cross.

The nation's chief erecutive, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Rear-Admiral Grayson, will review a monster parade here this afternoon and tonight at the Metropolitan opera house he will deliver a speech in support of the great drive, which was inaugurated today in cities throughout the country.

The president spent the greater part of the marning preparing the address he is to give tonight. He will call on the nation for further sacrifice to win the war against Germany and his speech is expected to prepare the people of the United States for sacrifices which they may be called upon to make in the future.

The monster parade here today is the largest of its kind ever attempted in the metropolis. More than 75.000 marchers, including 20,000 women, will be in line and the long column will be augmented by forty bands as it winds its way down Fifth avenue.

President Wilson had planned a round of golf before reviewing the Red Cross pageant, but altered his plans and went for a walk instead.

Evading the newspaper correspond-

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Eyading the newspaper correspondents, the president left his quarters at the Waldorf, descended in an elevator the Waldorf, descended in an elevator leading to one of the side entrances, guarded by secret service men. He mingled with the throngs on Fifth avenue for half an hour, finally arriving at the University club, where he looked up references to be used in his address tonight, returning to the hotel after an absence of an hour and a half. On his return Mrs. Wilson left the Waldorf to visit with friends.

#### SUBMIT IRISH QUESTION TO COMPETENT TRIBUNAL

Signatures Sought to Proposal. Government Policy Appears Changed.

London, May 18 .- Signatures are being invited in Ireland to a proposal that the Irish question be submitted for adjudication to a competent international tribunal, says a dispatch to the Times from Dublin. Such a tribunal, adds the dispatch, might consist, for exam-ple, of the United States and the

neutral powers of Europe. (Associated Press.) Irish Affairs to Fore. London, May 18.—Ireland and Irish affairs again have come to the fore. affairs again have come to the fore. Discovery of a German plot involving certain persons in Ireland was announced last night in Dublin by the issuance of a proclamation signed by Edward Shortt, chief secretary for Ireland, in the name of the lord lieutenant, Viscount French. The proclamation asserts that British subjects resident in Ireland have entered into treasonable communication with the German enemy and calls for drastic measures to put down the German plot. Voluntary recruiting is urged in order

down the conspiracy.

Communication with Dublin is slow. but a dispatch to the Times says that a large number of persons already have been arrested in Dublin and other parts of Ireland.

that the Irish may assist in putting

Minority With Enemy.

number of Irish in co-operation with the enemy is said to be very small. There have been various hints recently of German activity in the Sinn Fein ranks and there has been no full explanation of recent arrests, inthe Irish coast from a German submarine in a collapsible boat.

The reference to voluntary enlist-

ment in the proclamation appears to confirm predictions that the government has changed its policy concerning conscription in Ireland, owing to ationalist and Sinn Fein opposition.
A report became current in Ireland that the government contemplated launching a recruiting scheme on the lines of that formerly conducted by the Earl of Derby in England. A Dublin dispatch to the Daily News Dublin dispatch to the Daily News The dispatch adds:

None to Back Scheme. "The atmosphere is completely un-

suitable and it is doubtful if a single human with real influence could be found to back the scheme."

Another report is to the effect that a number of prominent Irishmen have submitted to Premier Lloyd George a request to appoint Gen. Sir Bryan Ma-hon, who has just relinquished the military command in Ireland, director of recruiting in Ireland.

According to one view the general could only succeed if the government gave Ireland a home rule parliament.

#### **ENEMY BALLOON DROPS** WITHIN AMERICAN LINES

With the American Army in France, Friday, May 17,-An enemy observa-tion balloon opposite Toul broke away late yesterday afternoon, after its two occupants had parachuted from it, and it floated two kilometers inside our lines. Our aviators were called out. but by the time they reached the lo-cality the balloon had risen and floated back toward Germany. American air-men chased the craft twelve kilometers until it went up so high that it was impracticable to pursue it farther.

DESERTER TRIED TO ESCAPE ARREST AND IS SHOT IN HIP

Willie V. Gentry, a deserter from the 21st infantry, is lying at the base hos pital at Fort Oglethorpe with a bullet through his hip.
It is alleged that Gentry and another

deserter were apprehended by a sherposse and ordered to surrender Both started to run. Gentry was shot by a .41-calibre Colt's revolver. He

PRESIDENT PAES OF PORTUGAL RECOGNIZED BY ALLIES

(International News Service.) Paris, May 18.—The French and alcord recognition to the new Portugues government headed by President Si-doni Paes of Portugal. The old Por-tuguese government, headed by former resident Machade, was overthrown "QUALITY ALWAYS FIRST"

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